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OFFICERS:

W. H. H. FANCHER, MODERATOR, S. B. DOBBS, CLERK

EXECUTIVE BOARD:

J. R. W. FOSTER, B. C. McGARITY, J. T. WEATHERALL

NEXT MEETING:

PLACE—Clear Springs Church, Choctaw County, Miss., 10 Miles Northwest of Ackerman; 4 Miles Northwest of Chester

TIME—Saturday before the First Sunday in October 1904, 10 A. M.

Delegate to S. B. Convention—N. Q. ADAMS.

Alternate—W. H. H. FANCHER.

JACKSON, MISS:
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1903.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Organization.
2. Call for Petitionary Letters.
3. Call for Correspondence.
4. Appointment of Special Committees.
5. Miscellaneous Business.
6. Report on Missions.
7. Report on Systematic Giving.
8. Report on Sunday Schools.
9. Report on Mississippi College and Ministerial Education.
10. Report on Publications.
11. Report on Temperance.
12. Report on Sustentation.
13. Report on Obituaries.
14. Report on Orphanage.
15. Report of S. B. C. Delegate.
16. Report of Treasurer.
17. Report of Executive Committee.
18. Report of Finance Committee.
19. Appointment of Standing Committees.
20. Prayer.

1901	Ackerman	T. J. Bailey	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1902	Poplar Creek	W. H. H. Fancher		
1903	Spring Hill			

HISTORICAL TABLE.

Date.	Place.	Introductory Sermon.	Moderator.	Clerk.
1892	Chester		N. Q Adams	J. R. W. Foster.
1893	Fellowship	J. H. D. Watson	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster.
1894	Bear Creek	H. M. Long	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster.
1895	Bethlehem	W. H. H. Fancher	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster.
1896	Providence	Charles L. Lewis	N. Q. Adams	J. R. W. Foster.
1897	Pleasant Ridge	David Burney	W. H. H. Fancher	J. R. W. Foster.
1898	Bluff Springs	G. S. Jenkins	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1899	Mount Pisgah	M. L. Oswalt	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1900	Beulah	N. Q. Adams	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1901	Ackerman	T. J. Bailey	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1902	Poplar Creek	T. J. Bailey	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.
1903	Spring Hill	W. H. H. Fancher	W. H. H. Fancher	S. B. Dobbs.

MINISTERIAL REGISTER.

N. Q Adams, Sturges.
G S. Jenkins, Maben.
David Burney, Ackerman.
Joseph Peacock, Bankston.
Moses Black, Black.
J T. Pearson, Longview.
C. H. Dobbs, Mathiston.
Jasper Watson, Maben
W. A. Edwards, Ackerman.
J H. D. Watson, Kenago.
W H. H. Fancher, French Camp.
B. E Watson, Faber.
G. W. Henson, French Camp.
J L Smith, Faber.
H. L. Rhodes, Ackerman.

LICENTIATES.

J. B. Worsell, Fentress.
W. P Griffin, Ackerman.
E. L Taylor, Black.
John Perry, Chester.
J. E Perry, Chester.
Samuel Gordon, Chester.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

MISSIONS—H. L. Rhodes J. M. Harris, John Adams.
SYSTEMATIC GIVING—J H D. Watson, J. H. McCarty, J. W. Ramage.
MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—W. A. Taylor, W J. Wilson, E. P. Wilson.
SUNDAY SCHOOLS—W. A. Wilson, G. D. Wetherall, T. L. Wetherall.
PUBLICATIONS—B. C. McGarity, B. E Watson, Rufus D. Prewitt.
TEMPERANCE—J. R W. Foster, J. M. Murphy, D. P. Franks.
OBITUARIES—Noah Fondren, J. M. Kellum, Johnie Ward.
SUSTENTATION—N. Q. Adams, C. H. Dobbs, T. A. Hester.
ORPHANAGE—R. M. Cotton, Bob Crow, W. T. Weeks.
NOMINATIONS—F. T. Milligan, L. C. Funderberg, M. A. Carr.

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PROCEEDINGS.

THE Chester Baptist Association met in its Eleventh Annual session with Spring Hill Church, Choctaw County, Miss., at 10 o'clock, A. M. on Saturday October 3, A. D. 1903.

The Association was called to order by Rev. W. H. H. Fancher, the Moderator. After a song by the congregation, the Moderator read the 34th Psalm at the close of which, the Association was led in prayer by Bro. J. W. Sims.

The Moderator appointed Bros. W. J. Wilson, Noah Fondren and M. A. Carr on the Finance Committee, and Bros. N. Q. Adams and J. R. W. Foster reading clerks.

The letters of the various churches were read and the names of the delegates enrolled. (See table of delegates.)

The hour having arrived for the preaching of the introductory sermon, the Association took a recess to hear the introductory sermon, which was preached by Rev. W. H. H. Fancher, from 34th verse of 134th Psalm.

On motion adjourned until half-past one o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association came together by singing "Did Christ o'er Sinners Weep."

The Association then went into permanent organization.

The Moderator appointed Rev. J. T. Sargent and J. W. Sims tellers who, after taking the vote, reported Rev. W. H. H. Fancher elected Moderator and S. B. Dobbs Clerk.

After some remarks by Moderator, was led in prayer by H. L. Rhodes.

The Moderator then called for petitionary letters.

CALLED FOR CORRESPONDENCE.

Louisville Association—J. T. Sargent, J. W. Sims, S. D. Wallace.

Columbus—Rev. D. B. Allen.

Kosciusko—Rev. F. R. Burney.

Rev. O. M. Lucas representing the Baptist.

H. L. Rhodes delegate from Southern Baptist Convention.

RETURNED CORRESPONDENCE.

Louisville Association—S. B. Dobbs, W. H. H. Fancher.

Kosciusko—Rev. B. G. Haman.

Columbus—W. J. Wilson.

Delegates to State Convention—W. J. Wilson, S. B. Dobbs, H. L Rhodes, N. Q. Adams.

The Pastor and Deacons of Spring Hill Church and Bros. John Adams, W. H. Dyer and J. W. Franklin were appointed committee on Devotional Exercises.

On motion the regular order of business was suspended and the place of holding the next Association was taken up, when Clear Springs church was elected as the next place of meeting.

Rev. O. M. Lucas then addressed the Association in the interests of the Baptist.

The delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention made his report of the work done by the body, which was very gratifying and encouraging.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made a partial report as follows: Bro. O. M. Lucas to preach in the house at 11 o'clock tomorrow and D. B. Allen in the grove, and J. T. Sargent in the grove at 3 o'clock P. M.

The Association then went into the election of a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention when N. Q. Adams was elected as delegate and W. H. H. Fancher alternate.

The Committee on Temperance not being present, the Moderator appointed B. G. Haman, A. W. Chamblee and J. P. Williams to make report on that subject.

The standing Committee on the Orphanage being absent, the Moderator appointed Bros. D. B. Allen and J. W. Vale a special committee to report on the Orphanage.

The motion for the Association to appoint an Advisory committee to settle the divisions in Sturges church was voted down.

On motion the Association adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Baptist Sunday School Convention of the Chester Association convened at 10 o'clock. The President being absent Rev. W. H. H Fancher, Moderator of the Association, called the Convention to order. S. B. Dobbs and H. L. Rhodes were elected temporary President and Secretary, respectively.

The President appointed Wm. A. Taylor, D. M. Berry and J. H. Ward Committee on Resolutions and Statistics.

The committee on Sunday Schools not being present with a report, the Convention then listened to an able address by Prof. L. P. Leavell.

After the address, the Convention adjourned for preaching service. Rev. O. M. Lucas preached in the house and Rev. D. B. Allen in the grove at the 11 o'clock hour. Both sermons were listened to by a large and appreciative audiance.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention came to order at 1:30 o'clock.

Wm. A Taylor read the report of Committee on Resolutions and Statistics, which was adopted.

The Convention then went into permanent organization by electing the following officers:

S. B. Dobbs, President.
J. M. Harris, Vice-President First District.
Wm. A. Taylor, Vice-President Second District.

On motion Convention adjourned.

S. B. DOBBS,
President.

H. L. RHODES,
Secretary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Name of School.	Superintendent and Post Office.	Secretary and Post Office.	Number of Pupils.	Kind of Literature.	Amount Paid for Literature.	Amount Paid for Missions.	Amount Paid for Orphanage.	Amount Paid for Minutes.	Joined Church.
Ackerman	S. B. Dobbs, Ackerman	J. M. Harris, Ackerman	112	S. Baptist.	$17 51	$ 2 50	$10 72	$ 1 00	3
Blythe Creek	J. H. Ward, Mathiston	Rebecca Milligan, Mathiston	25	S. Baptist.	4 50				
Bethlehem				S. Baptist.					
Beulah	Arthur Black, Weir		30	S. Baptist.	4 00				4
Bethany	J. L. Hughes, Lynch	Ella Fulcher, Lynch	25	S. Baptist.	2 00				4
Clear Springs	J. L. Smith, Faber.	Mary Biggers, Faber	25	S. Baptist.	1 50				
McCurtain's Creek	Tommie Fox, Elbow	Dona Nail, Bankston		S. Baptist.					1
New Haven	J. M. Franks, Weir	J. H. Tabor, Bankston	60	S. Baptist.	5 05				6
Pleasant Ridge	L. C. Funderberg, Bradley	G. A. Buckner, Bradley		S. Baptist.	6 00				
Ruhama	B. C. McGarity, Chester	Mary E. Roberts, Chester	12	S. Baptist.					4
Spring Hill	T. O. Beech, Dido,	G. I. Tollison, Dido	55	S. Baptist.	3 00	2 00			
Sturges	R. L. Webb, Sturges	Miss Eliza Hunt, Sturges	30	S. Baptist.	5 60				
Self Creek	Ed. Fulgham, Self Creek	W. H. Ricks, Self Creek	70	S. Baptist.	3 50				2
Wake Forest	D. M. Berry, Sturges	Ina Berry, Sturges	20	S. Baptist.	1 25				
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AFTERNOON SESSION.

At the close of the Sunday School Convention the Association resumed business, and the committee made the following report on

MISSIONS:

We, your committee on Mi sions make the following report: We find from the letters the following amounts sent up during the year for the different Missions:

Associational Missions	$ 2.66
State Missions	62 20
Home Missions	40.45
Foreign	54 82
Orphanage	26.05
Total	$186.18

Respectfully submitted,

N. Q. ADAMS,
D. M. BERRY,
Committee.

Which was discussed by L. P. Leavell, D. B. Allen and others. Pending the discussions a collection was taken which amounted to $10.00, after which the report was adopted.

On motion, the Association adjourned until half-past 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

MONDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Association convened at 8:30 o'clock, congregation singing "Did Christ O'er Sinners Weep," and was led in prayer by J. T. Sargent.

The committee then made the following report on

SYSTEMATIC GIVING:

Your committee on Systematic Giving would submit the following: System in all things is indispensable to progress. There is no vocation of life that can be as successfully prosocuted without as with system. The farmer,

the physician, the merchant, must all have a plan, and that plan must be systematically put into practice if he would succeed in his undertaking. So wsth the church; if she desires to meet God's approval and hear the applause "Well done, good and faithful servant," she must systematically operate the plans which God has given her by the inspired Paul to the church at Corinth in Chapter 9 and verse 7. The plan is given thus: "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart so let him give." We see that system is needed in order first that every one may be reached and have opportunity to give as he purposeth in his heart and as "the Lord hath prospered him."

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. WEEKS, Chairman Com.

On motion the report, after discussion by W. T. Weeks, was adopted.

The committee made the following report on

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Mississippi College was established in 1826 by the citizens of Clinton. For 16 years it was controlled by trustees chosen by the town. In 1842 the Presbyterians bought the property, but after eight years of unsuccessful management, they gave it back to the citizens of Clinton. In the same year the town tendered it to the Baptists. Since the Baptists have had control of the institution, many and trying hardships have been endured; many seemingly impassable obsticles have been overcome, but instead of giving the school back to the town of Clinton, we now have it beyond their reach and on a firmer foundation in every way than ever before.

The four years of civil war brought the college nigh unto dissolution, but a few brave fellows, who had been spending and being spent for their country and their homes, were ready with hand, heart and purse to rebuild from the shattered fragments that which was destined to be

a potent factor in the upbuilding and development of the South and especially the great State of Mississippi.

The supporters of the college have had many things to discourage them, but in every trying hour in her history they have responded nobly and "tided her over," and the people of the State showed a most generous spirit when the call was made in 1901 for $40,000.00 increase in the endowment, and, as Dr. Lowery went about over the State they rallied around him and in the marvelously short period of ten months the amount was raised, thereby making a total of $100,000.00 endowment. By means of this increase in the endowment, new apparatus has been put in, two professors have been added to the faculty, and confidence has been restored in the minds of many who had grave fears for the future of the college. Since the yellow fever epidemic, the college has enjoyed four most successful years. The attendance has been increasing every year, and last session went beyond the 300 mark which set a new precedent. 228 were enrolled on the opening day of the present session which is the largest opening on record and this bids fair to be the banner year in attendance. From statistics, we are all convinced that Dr. Lowery, as President, is the right man in the right place. The secret of his success at the head of the school lies not only in his ability as a school man but in the fact that he is a man of God and has been supported and upheld by men of the same type.

There is an influence for good emanating from Mississippi that has encircled the world. In our own state we see men of the highest and most honored positions who received their education at Mississippi College. It is not too much to say that from Mississippi College have gone forth more men who make themselves felt in the world and who do honor to their Alma Mater and to their native state than from any other institution in the state.

These things make us feel and know that we have a school that is worthy of our support, and we should not

wait till an hour of distress to make liberal donations but in the time of the greatest prosperity and progress let us increase our giving to such a noble cause, and thus build new and needed additions to what we now have. The foundation is sure, it is of God; come ye builders and let us do our duty.

Mississippi College is not a Theological school but arrangements have been made to give ministerial students instruction along the line needed, and fairly well prepares them for the great work to which they have been called. Dr. Lowery conducts this department in person. The Ministerial Board helps worthy young men who are unfortunate in not having money enough to pay their way through. This Board is sustained by contributions from various churches, and, judging from the ability and great work of those who have received help from this Board we are moved to recommend that the churches contribute liberally to this cause.

Respectfully submitted,

L. M. ADAMS,
H. L. RHODES,
J. M. HARRIS,
Committee.

After discussion by H. L. Rhodes and others the report was adopted.

The committee made the following report on

PUBLICATIONS:

We, your committee on Publication beg leave to make the following report: We believe the Bible should be read closely, carefully and prayerfully by every family in our churches. Do we not neglect this great privilege too often. Are we not spending more time than we should reading books and papers that are worthless? How often through life have we failed to read that book of books, and how much precious time have we lost on other books that benefit us in no way! A book full of truth, replete with knowl-

edge, crowded with promises and overflowing with the doctrine that we preach and teach. Let us each resolve from this hour to spend more time in reading its golden pages than we have in the past. Let us treasure its truths, appreciate its promises, search for knowledge and learn its doctrines. Let us prize it above all other books; let us adopt the words of one in the past who, in speaking of this book said:

"Behold the book whose leaves display
The life, the light, the truth, the way,
The minds of earth no treasures give
That could this volume buy.
In teaching us the way to live,
It teaches how to die."

We recognize the power of the religious press as one of the means of spreading the gospel and believe we have as good paper as can be found published at Jackson, Miss., ably edited by Bro. Bailey. We wish it could be read by every Baptist. We request our ministers to do all they can in circulating good Baptist literature. We also recommend the Foreign Mission Journal, Home Field and Orphan's Gem. They are in the reach of all and every Baptist should have them in their home. For Sunday School literature we think the periodicals published by the Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., are the best we can get.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. W. FOSTER,
B. C. McGARITY, } Committee
J. M. MURPHY,

The report was discussed by B. E. Watson, after which it was adopted.

The committee made the following report on

THE ORPHANAGE.

Perhaps there is no other institution under the supervision of the denomination which lies so near the good

wishes of the entire denomination as the Orphanage. Dependent children always appeal to the tenderest emotions of our nature. Their helplessness is pathetic. No man can see their necessities without feeling his sympathies stirred. However indifferent men may be to the calls of other good and laudable undertakings almost without exception their hearts are open to the wants of children. The history of Bro. Foster's work and the hardships he has undergone in planning and planting the Orphanage are before us. The Orphanage was planted about six years ago and in rented quarters with only two boys. It has grown until last year there were 82 children cared for and property consisting of 112 acres of land and buildings valued at $40,000.00. But still there are more applications than the means at hand will permit to be received. Since the last meeting of the Association Rev. L. S. Foster has resigned the Superintendency of the Orphanage and has has been succeeded by Kev. J. R. Carter of Blue Mountain, Miss. From the way Bro. Carter is managing affairs it is thought that he is the right man in the right place. Your committee recommends that all the churches on or about Thanksgiving day take a collection for the Orphanage. Also that the various Sunday Schools let the collections of one Sunday of each month go for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

D. B. ALLEN, }
J. W. VALE, } Committee

Pending the discussion of this report, pledges and collections were taken as follows:

Ackerman church, pledge	$ 5 00
Ackerman Sunday School, pledge	2 50
Be.hlehem Chursh, paid	2 00
Beulah, pledge	2 00
Blythe Creek, pledge	1 00
Bethany, paid	1 00
Bear Creek, pledge	2 00
Clear Springs paid	1 50

Double Springs, paid	2 00
Fellewship, paid	1 00
French Camp, pledge	2 00
McCurtains Creek, paid	1 00
Mt. Moriah, pledge	2 00
Mt. Pisgah, paid	1 00
New Zion, paid	2 00
New Haven, pledge	2 00
New Hope, pledge	2 00
Pleasant Ridge, pledge	1 00
Ruhama, pledge	2 00
Spring Hill pledge	2 00
Sykes Chapel, pledge	1 00
Wake Forest, paid	1 00
Woods Springs, pledge	1 00
Poplar Creek, pledge	2 00
Self Creek, pledge	1 00
N. Q. Adams, paid	1 00
	$ 45 00

After which the report was adopted.

The committee made the following report on

TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee make the following report:

"Vice is a monster of such frightful mien
That to be hated needs but to be seen."

This poetic couplet seems to lose its truth and consequent force when applied to the guilded and glittering saloon. Here we see everything that is beautiful and attractive; the sparklings reflected from its numerous and vari-hued glasses, all lighted up at night by its myriad of glittering lights, makeing it as light as day; its very cleanliness and the attendant behind the bar, with apron white and bland smile dealing out this liquid fire, surely tends to destroy the truth of this couplet. But the open saloon is not all that tends to bring about intemperanee.

We have blind tigers all over our fair land. The homes of the saloons and tigers are the places that allures to destruction our young men. Our efforts should be directed to the total destruction of all such places and all such business. By appealing to the Legislature for a law abolishing this pernicious business; yes by all means, but brethren, we depend on the Legislature too much; there is need for more than legislative action. There is not a place in the bounds of this Association where liquors can be legally sold, and yet we all know they are sold and used here. Brethren, we should endeavor to influence public sentiment against liquor traffic and arouse Christian men and women to fight it to a finish at any cost. Till we do this, and *not until then* can we hope to be freed from this terriable curse. Therefore we recommend that the pastors and delegates here present, when they return home to set about to have their churches and all her influence alligned against the liquor traffic and that forever.

Respectfully submitted,

B. G. HAMAN,
A. W. CHAMBLEE,
Committee.

After discussion, the report was adopted.

On motion all speeches were limited to five minutes.

The committee made the following report on

OBITUARIES.

We, your Committee on Obituaries, beg leave to submit the following. We find from the reading of the letters from the various churches of our Association that some of our noble brothers and sisters have been called from their labors of love in the church of Christ to their home of rest above.

We cannot mention all their names in this report, but they were all well known to some of this body and will be greatly missed by their loved ones who are left behind,

but we hope that our loss is their eternal gain. Let each of us who have been spared to meet at this Association resolve to do more for the cause of Christ the remaining part of our lives than we have in the past, knowing that the time will soon come with each of us that we will have to die.

Respectfully submitted,

B. E. WATSON,
N. Q. ADAMS,
Committee.

Committee made the following report on

SUSTENTATION.

We, your Committee on Sustentation, beg leave to report as follows: Have we any poor and needy persons in our churches? Are they looked after and their wants supplied? Do we give the matter our careful and prayerful attention that it demands? There is no doubt that it is clearly taught in the Scriptures that they should be cared for by the church to which they belong. If their wants cannot be supplied by the home church and the relations of these unfortunate ones, then the church should apply to the Association for help. Too little attention is given to this matter in most of our churches. Let us be more watchful and diligent about this matter in the future than we have been in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee.

Pending the discussion of this report a collection was taken for Bro. W. A. Edwards, which amounted to $28.65. Two dollars and sixty-five cents of this amount was handed in after the adjournment of the Association. (On receipt of the above amount, Brother Edwards requested the Clerk to return thanks to the Association, through the Minutes for their kind remembrance of him.)

The committee made the following report on

NOMINATIONS:

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to report as follows:

We nominate Bro. N. Q. Adams to preach the next introductory sermon and Bro. B. G. Haman as alternate.

Executive Committee—J. R. W. Foster, B. C. McGarity, J. T. Weatherall.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. KELLUM,
WM. A. TAYLOR,
W. A. WILSON,
Committee.

On motion, the report was adopted.

The Association adopted the following

TREASURER'S REPORT:

To the Chester Association:

I beg to make the following report:

1902.			
Oct. 6.	Cash on hand to balance	$ 1 04	
Oct. 6.	Received for Minutes	30 50	
Oct. 6.	Received for Foreign Missions	21 35	
Oct. 6.	Received for Home Missions	14 60	
Oct. 6.	Received for State Missions	5 00	
Oct. 6.	Received for the Orphanage	6 00	
Oct. 6.	Received for Ministerial Education	3 20	
Oct. 6.	Received for Sunday Schools	1 25	
Oct. 6.	Received for Associational Purposes	34 15	
	By amount paid A. V. Rowe for various Missions		$ 40 55
	By amount paid L. S. Foster for Orphanage		6 00
	By amount paid W. T. Lowery for Ministerial Education		3 20

By amount paid J. M. Harris for Minutes		25 00
By amount paid for postage		3 80
By amount paid Clerk		10 00
By amount paid delegate to Southern Baptist Convention		28 14
	$ 117 09	$ 117 09

Respectfully submitted,

S. B. DOBBS,
Treasurer.

The committee made the following report on

FINANCE:

We, your committee, beg leave to make the following report:

Received for Minutes	$ 31 95
Received for Foreign Missions	21 06
Received for Home Missions	12 35
Received for State Missions	1 00
Received for Sunday School	1 00
Received for Orphanage	22 35
Received for Associational Purposes	19 18
Received for Bro. W. A. Edwards	8 90
Received for amount of collection for Associational Purposes	17 70
Received for amount collection Sunday, Missions	10 00
Received for amount collection Sunday, Brother Edwards	26 00
Total	$ 171 09

We have examined the Treasurer's report, and found the same correct.

NOAH FONDREN,
Chairman Committee:

(Two dollars and sixty-five cents additional for Bro.

Edwards, handed in to Clerk after adjournment of the Association.)

On motion, the report was adopted.

On motion, the Clerk was allowed $10 for his services.

On motion, Bro. H. L. Rhodes was allowed $25 expenses to the Southern Baptist Convention.

On motion, the folowing resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That whereas we have been informed that there is trouble in the church at Sturges, which cannot be settled satisfactorily by themselves alone. We therefore advise them to call on sister churches for counsel, and probably this matter can be adjusted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. W. FOSTER.

The following resolution of thanks was offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be tendered the membership of Spring Hill church, and the people in general of this community, for their kindness shown the delegates and messengers of this Association during our stay among them.

The Association then adjourned with prayer.

W. H. H. FANCHER,
Moderator.

S. B. DOBBS,
Clerk.

LIST OF DELEGATES AS

Ackerman—S. B.
Bethlehem—W. T
Eli Snow.
Blythe Creek—J.
Fondren
Beulah—S. C. Ste
Bethany—W. Ste
Bear Creek—M. A
W. O. Jones, alternat
Bluff Springs—A
Lindsey, J. J. Frankl
Clear Springs—J
eman, J. W. Ramage
Center Grove—R
G. Thompson.
Double Springs—
Bell, S. A. Reed.
Ennis—
Ebenezer—W. C
Fellowship—G.
Brooks, Noah Fondr
French Camp—
A. Wilson, W. A. T
Fentress—Lige
McCurtains Cre
Trussell.
Mt. Olivet—Jol
Mt. Moriah—H
Mt. Pisgah—D
B. Allen.
New Zion—T
Franks, Estelle Bla
New Haven—
Franks, S, H. M.

LIST OF DELEGATES AS ENROLLED FROM CHURCH LETTERS.

Ackerman—S. B. Dobbs, H. L. Rhodes, John Adams.

Bethlehem—W. T. Weeks, Juke Black, Joe Barron, Eli Snow.

Blythe Creek—J. R. McLean, A. H. Brooks, Meek Fondren

Beulah—S. C. Steele, J. D. Black, H. B. Black,

Bethany—W. Stedman, J. L. Hughes, J. M. Weaver,

Bear Creek—M. A. Carr, Robt. Wade, N. H. Fancher, W. O. Jones, alternate.

Bluff Springs—A. M. Coleman, W. A. Bagwell, T. J. Lindsey, J. J. Franklin, alternate.

Clear Springs—J. L. Smith, W. P. Pruden, J. A. Coleman, J. W. Ramage, alternate.

Center Grove—Rev. Jasper Watson, C. T. Woods, M. G. Thompson.

Double Springs—J. L. Neely, L. O. Oswalt, Jonathan Bell, S. A. Reed.

Ennis—

Ebenezer—W. G. Box, Lonnie Pearson, John Vaughn

Fellowship—G. H. McLean, J. W. Franklin, Edgar Brooks, Noah Fondren, alternate.

French Camp—W. H. H. Fancher, J. M. Black, W. A. Wilson, W. A. Taylor, alternate.

Fentress—Lige Black, A. M. Yates, Rufus D. Prewitt.

McCurtains Creek—Will Nail, Will Holloway, W. J. Trussell.

Mt. Olivet—John Butler, George McCafferty.

Mt. Moriah—H. R. Kite, J. H. Kite, H. M. Steele.

Mt. Pisgah—D. L. Humphries, C. S. Bowles, G. H. B. Allen.

New Zion—T. J. King, G. B. Weatherall, E. A. Franks, Estelle Blain, alternate.

New Haven—A. W. Chamblee, N. W. Nail, C. A. Franks, S, H. M. Campbell, alternate.

New Hope—James Claridy, W. W. Carpenter, J. E. Kendricks.

Pleasant Ridge—Rev. N. Q. Adams, J. A. Barron, W. W. Sanders, A. D. Sykes.

Providence—J. H. D. Watson, J. L. Wells, J. H. McCarty, B. E. Watson, alternate.

Poplar Creek—W. H. Dyer, J. W. Vale, W. H. Henderson, D. M. Kemp, alternate.

Ruhama—J. R. W. Foster, Samuel Gordon, Wick Murphy, W. M. Murphy, alternate.

Spring Hill—W. F. Fondren, J, P. Williams, J. S. Southerland, J. H. Hitchcock.

Sturges—Will Walker, Alex Strowd, R. L. Webb.

Self Creek—R. C. Crow, W. H. Ricks, E. O. Neely.

Sykes Chapel—R. B. Lewis, J. A. Sykes, Albert Hall.

Wake Forest--D. M. Berry, R. D. Woodson, Oscar Green, R. E. Hanna, alternate.

Wood Springs—T. V. Fox,G. W. Reed, Chas Woods.

On motion B. C. McGarity, J. W. Douglas and W. E. Douglas were seated as delegates from their respective chnrches.

STATISTICAL TABLE No. 1.

CHURCHES.	Pastors' Salaries.	Repairing and Building.	Incidentals.	Visiting Ministers.	Sunday School Expenses.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministerial Relief.	Minutes.	Totals.
Ackerman	$ 245 75		$46 68	$ 45 60	$30 73		$32 70	$27 05		$18 00	$12 50		$ 1 00	$ 465 30
Bethlehem				24 55		$ 1 20	7 50		$ 3 15				1 00	37 40
Blythe Creek	50 50			7 00	6 90	1 00			4 00				1 00	60 80
Beulah	125 00		1 05	19 70	4 00		3 40	2 40	5 75				1 00	162 30
Bethany	23 00			3 50	2 00				1 00	1 00		$ 2 00	80	33 30
Bear Creek	100 00	$ 5 35				1 00	4 35		3 00		1 82		2 00	118 52
Bluff Springs						50		1 00	1 00				1 25	3 75
Clear Springs				3 70	1 50			2 00	2 00			1 00	1 00	11 20
Center Grove								1 00	75				1 00	2 75
Double Springs								1 00		1 60			1 50	4 10
Ebenezer								1 85		1 05			1 15	4 05
Fellowship									2 50	1 65			90	5 05
French Camp				4 00		1 00	4 55		5 36				2 00	12 91
Pentress							1 00	1 00	2 00				50	8 50
McCurtain's C'k						1 00			1 00	1 00			1 00	4 00
Mt. Olivet							45						40	85
Mt. Moriah	40 00		9 50	11 06		1 00	2 10	2 00	2 00				75	67 60
Mt. Pisgah				9 00		1 00			1 05				50	3 55
New Zion	93 90			10 45		1 00	3 00		3 60				1 00	112 95
New Haven	100 00	80 00		7 45	5 05			1 30	2 75				1 25	192 50
New Hope	50 00					66							1 10	51 70
Pleasant Ridge	50 00				6 00	2 60	2 25	2 25	2 25				1 50	66 85
Providence								2 00	4 00	3 25		1 00	1 25	11 50
Poplar Creek						1 00	3 90						1 10	6 00
Ruhama	42 50						1 45		3 00				1 00	47 95
Spring Hill	40 00	3 50			3 00	1 00		1 45	2 00	2 25		1 00	1 00	399 70
Sturges	19 45	4 30			5 60	1 65			5 00				50	36 50
Sykes Chapel	40 00	200 00		2 00								1 35	75	244 10
Self Creek					3 50	1 00			1 56	2 10			1 00	8 10
Wake Forest						1 00			1 00	1 00			1 00	4 50
Wood Springs		170 00						50	2 40				75	173 15
														$ 2,369 23

STATISTICAL TABLE No. 2.

Churches.	Pastor and Post Office.	Clerk and Post Office.	Added by— Baptism.	Added by— Letter.	Added by— Restoration.	Total Decrease.	Lost by— Letter.	Lost by— Exclusion.	Lost by— Death.	Total Decrease.	Total Members.	Value of Property.	Organized.
Ackerman	D. B. Allen, Brooksville	J. P. Johnson, Ackerman	3	11		14	8		1	9	123	$ 700 00	1885
Bethlehem	J. T. Sargent, Ackerman	Joe Barron, Ackerman	10	2	1	13	6	2	1	9	126	600 00	1835
Blythe Creek	N. Q. Adams, Sturges	T. A. Hester, Mathiston	2	3		5	7		1	8	117		1872
Beulah	J. T. Sargent, Ackerman	W. O. Steele, Weir	6			6					92	500 00	1861
Bethany	B. E. Watson, Faber	J. L. Hughes, Lynch	4	1		5	2			2	47		1885
Bear Creek	W. H. H. Fancher, F'h Cp.	N. H. Fancher, McCool	3	6	2	11	13	5	2	20	249	800 00	
Bluff Springs	J. H. D. Watson, Kenago	W. W. Bagwell, Eupora	4			4	2		1	3	144	400 00	
Clear Springs	J. D. Burns, Ethel	J. P. Biggers, Faber	3	1		4	1	2		3	70		1862
Center Grove		James Fu gham, Maben	26	4							57		
Double Springs	Jasper Watson, Maben	J. L. Neely, Double Springs	9		1	10	2	2		4	138	300 00	1851
Ebenezer	F. R Burney Huntsville	John Vaughn, Stewart	10	2	1	13	6		3	9	81	200 00	1874
Fellowship	T. H. Middleton, Clarkson	J. W. Woodward, Mathiston	2	2		4	13			13	89	375 00	1852
French Camp	W. H. H. Fancher, F'h Cp.	Wm. A. Taylor, French Cp.		2		2	1		1	2	63	1,000 00	
Fentress	D. Burney, Ackerman	Rufus D. Prewitt, Fentress.	2	4		6	5		1	6	38	100 00	1892
McCurtain's Ck	J. H. Peacock, Bankston	W. J. Trussell, Kenago	1			1	3			3	140	600 00	1840
Mount Olivet		C. H. Butler, Sturgess									41	100 00	1882
Mount Moriah	H. L. Rhodes, Ackerman	H. R. Kite, Weir	1	2		3					72	200 00	1847
Mount Pisgah	Chas. B. Williams, Eupora	B. F. Bollis, Mathiston					6		1	7	103	300 00	1845
New Zion	W. H. H. Fancher, F'h Cp.	Bob Keen, Weir	5	4		9			2	2	143		
New Haven	J. T. Sargent, Ackerman	A. W. Chamblee, Weir	14	1	1	16			2	2	123	130 00	1886
New Hope	B. G. Haman, Sturges	W. W. Carpenter, Starkv'e.	1	1		2				30	64	550 00	
Pleasant Ridge	N. B. Wallace, Loakfoma	J. A. Brown, Bradley	2	2		4	1		1	2	80	500 00	1855
Providence	J. H. D. Watson, Kenago	J. H. McCarty, Faber					1	1	2	4	133		1885
Poplar Creek	W. H. H. Fancher, F'h Cp.	L. L. Booth, Kilmichael	2	3		5	10		3	13	86	800 00	1849
Ruhama	W. H. H. Fancher, F'h Cp.	J. R. W. Foster, Chester	4	1		5		2	1	3	59	400 00	
Spring Hill	N. Q. Adams, Sturges	W. W. Kellum, Dido		3		3	3			3	127	350 00	1842
Sturges	B. G. Haman, Sturges	R. L. Webb, Sturges					1	2		3	37	500 00	1886
Sykes Chapel	B. E. Watson, Faber	R. B. Lewis, Bradley	6			6	1			1	50	500 00	1889
Self Creek	N. Q. Adams, Sturges	J. A. Ricks, Self Creek	4	4		8	2			2	71		
Wake Forest	Moses Black, Black	T. B. Green, Sturges					1			1	54		
Wood Springs	J. C. Peacock, Bankston	W. A. Wood, Tomnolen	1	7		7	11		1	12	86	600 00	1889
Totals													